

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

ESTABLISHMENT – FOREST DEPARTMENT – Sri N.R.Sridhar, Deputy Range Officer and Sri N.David Karunakar, Asst. Beat Officer, Mamandur (S) Beat of S.V. National Park, Tirupati Range of WLM Division, Tirupati – Killed by Red Sander wood smugglers while on duty – Payment of ex-gratia and other benefits to the bereaved families of deceased and also to the injured Forest Personnel – Sanction – Orders – Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.V) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 38

Dated: 06-03-2014.

Read the following:-

1. G.O.Ms.No.30, G.A. (SC.C) Dept., dt.1.2.1996.
2. G.O.Ms.No.348, GA (SC.A) Dept., dt.12.11.2003.
3. From the Prl.Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P.,
Hyderabad,Lr.Rc.No.42905/2013/X2(ii),dt.20.12.2013.

O R D E R:

In the reference 3rd read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P., Hyderabad, has reported that Sri N.R.Sridhar, Deputy Range Officer and Sri N.David Karunakar, Asst. Beat Officer were brutally killed by Red Sander wood smugglers while on duty and while trying to prevent illegal smuggling in the Mamandur (S) Beat of S.V. National Park, Tirupati Range of Wildlife Management Division, Tirupati on the morning of 15.12.2013. A police case was registered with Station House Officer, Tirumala (II-Town) Police Station vide FIR No.72/2013, dt.15.12.2013. The combing/search operations in the Forest area for the smugglers are taken up by the armed police. About (103) suspected smugglers including three involved in killing of the forest personnel are arrested so far and the investigation is in progress. Further reported that Sri P.Ramana, Forest Section Officer and Sri Chandrasekhar Raju, Forest Beat Officer who were abducted along with the above (2) killed forest staff were retrieved from the said forest area with several head injuries and fracture in the left leg.

2. The Prl.Chief Conservator of Forests has requested the Government to extend financial assistance and all other benefits to the bereaved families, as available to the families of the Police Personnel/Government Officials of other departments who are killed/injured due to Extremist/Naxalite violence while on duty and also to the grievously injured Forest personnel as mentioned in the G.O.Ms.No.30, Gen.Admn.(SC.C) Dept., dated: 1.2.1996 and also in G.O.Ms.No.348, Gen.Admn.(SC.A) Dept., dated: 12.11.2003.

3. After careful consideration of the case, Government hereby accord for sanction of the following relief measures to the bereaved families of Sri N.R. Sridhar, Deputy Range Officer and Sri N.David Karunakar, Assistant Beat Officer who were brutally killed by Red Sander wood smugglers while on duty, and also to Sri P.Ramana, Forest Section Officer and Sri Chandrasekhar Raju, Forest Beat Officer who were grievously injured, as per the orders issued vide G.O. 1st read above. Government, also accord for sanction of an ex-gratia amount of Rs.9.00 lakhs (Rupees nine lakhs only) to each of the deceased and 2.40 lakhs (Rupees two lakhs forty thousand only) to each of the injured, as per G.O.2nd read above.

1. Last Pay drawn by the deceased official shall be paid to the spouse till the date of superannuation of the deceased official. In case of death/remarriage of the spouse. The legal heir of the deceased official will get the last pay drawn till the date of superannuation of the deceased official.

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2. Employment shall be provided to the spouse / children / dependent brother or sister of the deceased official, as per rules.
3. The family of the deceased official shall be paid House Rent Allowance based on the last pay drawn.
4. Medical facilities shall be provided to the dependent family members of the deceased official on par with serving Government employees.
5. House site shall be assigned, as per eligibility, to the family of the deceased official by the District Collector concerned.

4. The Prl.Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P., Hyderabad shall draw the enhanced Ex-gratia amount, from the relevant Head of Account, and arrange payment to the family of the deceased Government.

5. The Prl.Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P., Hyderabad shall take necessary action accordingly.

6. This order is issued with the concurrence of Finance (Expr.M&F) Department, vide their U.O.No.5635/30/A2/Expr.M&F/14, Dated: 1.3.2014.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

M.SAMUEL

SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P., Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The legal heirs of Late N.R.Sridhar, Dy.Range Officer and Late David Karunakar, Asst. Beat Officer and injured Forest Personnel through Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P., Hyderabad.

The Accountant General, A.P., Hyderabad.

The District Treasury Officer concerned.

Finance (Expr.M&F) Department.

General Administration (SC.A) Department.

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SECTION OFFICER